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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to Applicant(s) duty of disclosure, the information listed in the attached form PTO-1449 is brought to the attention of the Examiner. Copies of the listed items can be found in the three priority patent applications: U.S. Application Serial No. 09/993,818 filed on November 14, 2001 which is a continuation-in-part application of U.S. Application Serial No. 09/946,616 filed on September 5, 2001 which is a continuation-in-part application of U.S. Application Serial No. 09/764,618 filed on January 17, 2001.

The citation of the listed items is not a representation that they constitute a complete or exhaustive listing of the relevant art or that the references are prior art. The items listed are submitted in good faith, but are not intended to substitute for the Examiner's search. It is hoped, however, that in addition to apprising the Examiner of these particular items, they will assist in identifying fields of search and in making as full and complete a search as possible.

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This information disclosure statement is being filed within three months from the filing date of the application.

To the best of Applicants' knowledge, this information disclosure statement is being filed before the date of mailing of a first Office Action in connection with this case.

The claims of the application as now presented are believed to patentably distinguish over the prior art and to be in condition for allowance. Early and favorable consideration of the case is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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